THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA) : (a) Central Electricity Authority have reported that some Thermal Power Stations in the Western Region are operating on critical level of coal stocks and some Thermal Power Stations have suffered Generation loss also for want of coal.

(b) Coal requirements of Thermal Power Stations are worked out and finalised on quarterly basis by the Standing Linkage Committee (SLC) in which State Electricity Boards, Ministries of Coal and Railways, Department of Power, Central Electricity Authority and others are represented.

(c) As per the information made available by the Coal Companies the annual coal requirements of Electricity Boards in the Western Region and the quantities of coal supplied in 1990-91 and 1991-92 are given as below :

(Figure in Million Tonnes)

Name of State Electricity Board	Annual requirement for Power Generation during 1990-91	Supply of Coal during 1990-91	Annual requirement for Power Generation during 1991-92	Supply of Coal during 1991-92
Gujarat State Electricity Board (4 TPSs) . . .	7.82	8.40	9.01	9.27
Madhya Pradesh Electricity Board (4 TPSs) . .	11.61	9.83	10.35	9.72
Maharashtra State Electricity Board (7 TPSs) . .	19.1	17.51	20.16	20.31

Short supply of Coal to Gujarat

991. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE : Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the present quota of Coal wagons to Gujarat is not sufficient to meet the State's requirements, on account of which some industrial units in the State have out down their production vis-a-vis their capacity utilization targets;

(b) if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the industries of the State have approached the Central Government though the State Government many times for the supply of coal wagons; and

(d) if so, what is Government's reaction thereof ?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI S. B. NYAMAGOUDA) : (a) to (d) Representations have been received from Government of Gujarat by Ministry of Railways for increase in allotment of wagons for movement of coal. However the available data with Railways indicates that even the existing quota of rail wagons allotted to Gujarat state is not being fully utilised. The details of year-wise ceiling and percentage of utilisation for last four years as furnished by the Ministry of Railways is given below :

Year	Ceiling	%age utilisation
1989	21708	62
1990	18732	78
1991	20964	72
1992 (Up to 6/92)	9318	70